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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of

Applicants: Loukritia Balkos et al)
Application No.: 09/769,057) Group Art Unit: 1722
Filed: January 25, 2001) Examiner: D. Hackenberg
For: **PRESS FOR MAKING**)
PATTIES AND METHOD)
OF OPERATION)

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

**Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231**

Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Official Action dated August 28, 2002
(Examiner's Paper No. 3) issued in respect of the above-identified application. Please amend the application in the following manner:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, please insert the following heading and paragraph before the first paragraph and heading:

A' Cross-Related Application

The present application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/178,326 filed on January 27, 2000.